

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL
COMMISSION

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR CARRYING
INTO EFFECT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT CREATING THE
MOUNT RUSHMORE MEMORIAL COMMISSION, AMOUNTING
TO \$100,000

FEBRUARY 25, 1929.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations and
ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 25, 1929.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year 1929 in the amount of \$100,000, to remain available until expended, for carrying into effect the provisions of the act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, approved February 25, 1929.

The details of this estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, February 25, 1929.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Mount Rushmore

National Memorial Commission for the fiscal year 1929 in the amount of \$100,000, to remain available until expended, as follows:

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission: Toward carrying into effect the provisions of the act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, approved February 25, 1929, \$100,000: *Provided*, That in addition to the amount herein appropriated the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission is authorized to incur contractual obligations in an amount not exceeding \$150,000. \$100,000

The act approved February 25, 1929, establishes a commission to be known as the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission for the purpose of completing the carving of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial on Rushmore Mountain, a prominent peak of the Harney Range of the Black Hills of South Dakota. The memorial is designed to commemorate the founding, expansion, preservation, and unification of the United States. Colossal figures of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Roosevelt are to be carved upon the face of the mountain, together with an entablature of the story of America written by President Coolidge.

The act provides that one-half of the cost of the memorial and landscaping shall be borne by the United States and authorizes an appropriation of \$250,000 therefor.

This estimate of appropriation is required to meet a contingency which has arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1929. I recommend the transmission of the estimate to Congress.

Very respectfully,

H. M. LORD,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

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